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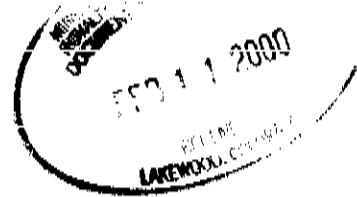
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Kann:

This is a request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the Department of the Interior's implementing regulations, 43 C.F.R. Part 2, for a copy of all documents and information relevant to the decision of the Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, and/or the Department of the Interior to cancel the RIK sale noticed in the Federal Register on September 21, 1999 due to the submission of inadequate bids, including, but not limited to, all information explaining why the bids were deemed to be inadequate.

This letter also constitutes our request that you exercise your discretion to release any documents which may be exempt under the Freedom of Information Act. In the event you decide to exercise your discretion not to disclose any such exempt material, we request that you provide us with a description of the withheld documents pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b).

You make take this letter as our agreement to pay any lawful costs you incur in responding to this request, up to a maximum of \$300.00. For purposes of fees, we are in the category of "Others." Please contact me by telephone before incurring costs in excess of this amount. We also request that you provide our response in hard copy format.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me. I would welcome the opportunity to review the content of this request with the agency to assist in responding to it in a manner that is both efficient and that minimizes unnecessary burdens. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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